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Applicants: Thomas M. Jessell et al.

Serial No : 10/002,278

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Sir:

PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby request a three-month extension of time for filing a response to the March 26, 2004 Final Office Action issued in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the March 26, 2004 Final Office Action was originally due June 26, 2004. Applicants timely filed an Amendment In Response To March 26, 2004 Final Office Action on June 28, 2004. Applicants hereby request a three-month extension of time. The required fee for a three-month extension of time is FOUR HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$475.00) for a small entity. Applicants have previously established small entity status and such status is still applicable. Applicants enclose a check in the sum of \$475.00 to cover this fee. Accordingly, a response to the March 26, 2004 Final Office Action is due September 26, 2004. However, since September 26, 2004 is a Saturday, a response on the next succeeding day which is not a Saturday, Sunday or Federal holiday, i.e. Monday, September 27, 2004, is considered timely under 37 C.F.R. §1.7. Applicants are concurrently filing a

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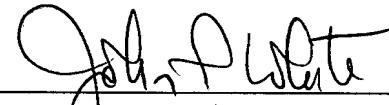
Notice of Appeal.

REMARKS

With the filing of this Petition, the subject application is still pending and applicants are concurrently filing a Notice of Appeal. Accordingly, the Notice of Appeal is being timely filed.

No fee, other than the enclosed \$475.00 fee for a three-month extension of time, is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Petition. However, if any additional fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

Respectfully submitted,

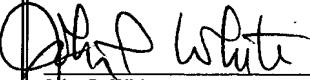


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